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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

THE Undersigned begs to notify that he has received the sum of Fifty Dollars from Messrs. CAMPBELL, MOORE & Co., LIMITED, Hair Dressers, of Hongkong Hotel Buildings, as a congratulation for the ability displayed by himself and his Troupe of Japanese Jugglers, and he returns his best thanks for same.

SHUN TEN SAI ITSUKAKU.

Hongkong, 30th January, 1897. [314

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the TIDE WATER OIL COMPANY, an American Corporation carrying on business at New York, U.S.A., and elsewhere, have this day applied to His Excellency the Governor, under the provisions of Ordinances Nos. 16 of 1873 and 20 of 1895, for leave to register certain TRADE MARKS in the Office of the Colonial Secretary in the name of the said TIDE WATER OIL COMPANY.

The Said TRADE MARKS are intended to be used in respect of illuminating oil.

Facsimiles of such Trade Marks have been filed, and may be seen upon application, at the Colonial Secretary's Office, Victoria, Hongkong.

Dated the 25th January, 1897.

DEACON & HASTINGS, Solicitors for the Applicants.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION TO-DAY (SATURDAY), the 30th JANUARY, at 3 P.M., at his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road. An Invoice of JAPANESE PLANTS, ex s.s. "Belgic." Comprising:— Assorted CAMELLIAS and PLUMS.

TERMS OF SALE:—As Customary.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 30th January, 1897. [316

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND FOOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship "NAMOA," Captain Hall, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 31st instant, at DAYLIGHT.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 29th January, 1897. [309

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA.

(Florio and Rubattino United Companies.)

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND BOMBAY,

having connexion with Company's Mail Steamers to ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MESSINA, NAPLES, LEGHORN, and GENOA, also VENICE and TRIESTE, all MEDITERRANEAN, ADRIATIC, LEVANTINE, and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS up to CALLAO.

Taking Cargo at through rates to PERSIAN GULF and BAGDAD, also BARCELONA, VALENZA, ALICANTE, ALMERIA, and MALAGA.

THE Steamship "BISAGNO," Captain Mancini, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 1st February, at 5 P.M.

At BOMBAY the Steamers are discharging in VICTORIA DOCK.

For further particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to

CARLOWITZ & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 30th January, 1897. [6

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship "ARRATOON APCAR," Captain K. H. Sundberg, will be despatched for the above ports on TUESDAY, the 2nd February, at DAYLIGHT.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 30th January, 1897. [318

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship "ARRATOON APCAR," having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 P.M. of the 1st proximo will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Wanchai.

Consignees of Cargo from SINGAPORE and PENANG are requested to take IMMEDIATE delivery of their Goods from alongside; such Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 29th January, 1897. [310

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA.

(Florio and Rubattino United Companies.)

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM BOMBAY AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship "BISAGNO" having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, Wanchai, whence delivery may be obtained. Perishable Goods to be taken delivery of immediately.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the office of the undersigned before Noon on the 4th February, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any goods remaining in the Godowns after the 4th February will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

CARLOWITZ & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 29th January, 1897. [6

DAVID CORSAR & SON'S MERCHANT NAVY, NAVY BOILED, LONG FLAX, RELIANCE CROWN, TARPAULING CANVAS

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO., Sole Agents.

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ENTERTAINMENTS.

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL.

TO-NIGHT! TO-NIGHT!!

(SATURDAY), 30th January.

Under the Distinguished Patronage of H.E. SIR WILLIAM ROBINSON, K.C.M.G., H.E. Major-General W. BLACK, C.B., and By special request of several leading residents of the Colony

A GRAND MILITARY CONCERT will be given by The FULL BAND, DRUMS, and FIFES of the WEST YORKSHIRE REGIMENT and PIPERS.

Operatic Selections, Instrumental Solos, Drum Solos.

The whole concluding with JULIEN'S WORLD FAMOUS BRITISH ARMY QUADRILLES Admitted to be the Grandest Spectacle seen in Hongkong during the last 20 years.

The whole under the direction of WILLIAM GEO. BENTLEY, L.R.C.M., Bandmaster.

Prices of Admission $2 and $1. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform half price to Pit. Plan at W. ROBINSON's Music Rooms.

SAM MARKS, Manager.

Hongkong, 26th January, 1897. [268

THE ONE GREAT EVENT OF THE CENTURY,

upon which the Amusement-loving Public bestow their Patronage.

BERT WILLISON'S GREAT WORLD CIRCUS AND TRAINED ANIMAL EXHIBITION.

Opening in Hongkong for a SHORT SEASON ONLY Commencing MONDAY, 1st February. Located on the PRAYA, near City Hall. A Mammoth Constellation. Shining above all others. Stars that Shine by Day as by Night. The GREATEST and GRANDEST ARTISTIC DISPLAY that has ever visited CHINA.

See it now or never!

From South Africa en route to Australia.

Something New and Novel. Something Keeping pace with Father Time. A new Era in Circus Business. No Worn-out Scenes, but Novelties. Our Clowns are of TO-DAY, not 100 years ago. Remember our Opening Date, MONDAY, 1st February, on the PRAYA FRONT.

BOX PLAN at Messrs. W. ROBINSON & Co.'s Piano and Music Rooms.

Hongkong, 30th January, 1897. [304

ORGAN RECITAL, TO BE GIVEN BY Mr. A. G. WARD, IN ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL, ON MONDAY, 1st FEBRUARY, 1897, AT 5.15 P.M.

Vocalists—Mrs. STANLEY and Mr. E. A. MEASOR.

PROGRAMME.

1. Toccata and Fugue in D minor. J. S. Bach.
2. Aria (from 'The Holy City') "My Soul is athirst for God" A. R. Gaul. Mr. E. A. MEASOR.
3. Andante in A flat ... W. S. Hoyte.
4. { a. Two-part Song without Words ... J. B. Calkin. b. Berceuse ... Delbruck.
5. Song, "O Divine Redeemer!" C. H. Gounod. Mrs. STANLEY.
6. Fantasia (in the form of an Offertoire) ... B. Tours.

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HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SIXTY-FIRST ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 18, Bank Buildings, Queen's Road Central, THIS DAY (SATURDAY), the 30th inst., at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend, and electing a Director and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to 30th, inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

T. ARNOLD, Secretary.

Hongkong, 12th January, 1897. [168

SPECIAL NOTICE.

PRIZE COMPETITION.

ANIMATED by a desire to draw attention to the material benefits attaching to life assurance on modern principles, the undersigned has resolved to offer three prizes of $100, $50, and $25 respectively, for the best three examples of advertisements dealing with the excellent system of the EQUITABLE.

The system in itself is so simple and perfect that it may be understood by every person; therefore this competition is thrown open to men, women, and children in China, Hongkong, and Japan. It is commended to men as relieving them of an immense responsibility, to women, as securing to them the happiness and maintenance of home; and to children, as providing for their education and future.

Certain conditions must be observed:—

1.—The printed dimensions shall not exceed 10 inches in length by 2½ in width, or 5 by 4¾ or 8¼ by 6¾. Any readable type may be used and the author is to arrange the advertisement in regard to form and type as may render it most attractive.

2.—Advertisements marked "Prize Competition" on the cover must be sent in to the undersigned not later than the 15th April.

3.—The competition may be in prose or verse.

4.—The award will be made within ten days, that is, on or before 26th April; and the prize advertisements will be published in due course; the right of publication of the contributions of non-prize-winners being reserved.

5.—Competitors who prefer that their names should not be made public should express their desire at the foot of their contributions, furnishing a cipher with their address in separate cover.

6.—Any information required may be had on personal application to the Shanghai Office. Prospectuses, etc. will be supplied on request.

7.—Contributions to be addressed to

J. T. HAMILTON, General Manager, Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States, No. 6, The Bund, Shanghai.

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INTIMATIONS.

CARMICHAEL & CO., LIMITED

JUST LANDED

MACLAREN'S IMPERIAL JAR CHEESE. Price per large jar, $2.75; price per small jar, $1.50.

ALSO

REAL LOCHFINE SALT HERRINGS in kegs. Price per keg, $5.

CARMICHAEL & CO., LIMITED. 18, Praya Central.

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BROMO SELTZER. BROMO SELTZER.

First introduced into HONGKONG by FLETCHER & Co.

Have just opened a new Consignment of this famous Headache Cure.

Also an assortment of SPRAY PRODUCERS, CACHOUS, BARLEY SUGAR, LIME FRUIT TABLETS, CHOCOLATE CREAMS.

Sole Agent for the popular TANSAN MINERAL WATER.

FLETCHER & CO., THE PHARMACY, 23, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, and CARMICHAEL & CO., LD.

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DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & CO.,

Have just received a Large Consignment of

PHOTOGRAPHIC REQUISITES.

ILFORD DRY PLATES.—All Sizes—Ordinary, Empress, Extra Rapid.

OPALS.—Edward's Transparency Plates and Lantern Plates.

PAPER.—Ilford P.O.P.; Ilford Permanent Bromide; Eastman's Solio; Eastman's Permanent Bromide.

Hongkong, 11th January, 1897. [a26

ACKERMAN-LAURANCE'S

SAUMUR CHAMPAGNE

DRY ROYAL,

ESTD. 1884.

Is as pure, wholesome and exhilarating as the most expensive Champagnes, whilst it can be obtained at about half the cost of the latter.—*London Medical Record.*

Telephone No. 15.

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & CO., AGENTS FOR HONGKONG AND CHINA.

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CUTLER, PALMER & CO.

Have been Shipper to CHINA for nearly 75 years. Their Brands are favorably known all over the World.

A1 QUALITY COGNAC, Distinguished by 4 STARS on the label. Price $19.00 per 1 dozen bottles.

SUPERIOR OLD COGNAC, Distinguished by 3 STARS on the label. Price $17.75 per 1 dozen bottles.

VERY GOOD COGNAC, Somewhat younger than the above. Distinguished by 2 STARS on the label. Price $14.00 per 1 dozen bottles.

"PALE MALL" WHISKY, Eleven years old, very fine quality. Each bottle bears an analyst's certificate. The quality is guaranteed. Price $16.75 per 1 dozen bottles.

Well-matured HIGHLAND MALT WHISKY, Blended by CUTLER, PALMER & Co. Moderate in price, excellent in quality. Price $14.00 per 1 dozen bottles.

BRODIE & CO.'S FINE SCOTCH WHISKY, in "Squat" Bottles. Price $10.00 per 1 dozen bottles.

C. P. & CO.'S OWN SPECIAL BLEND SCOTCH WHISKY, in Patented Bottles. Price $9.00 per 1 dozen bottles.

GLENIFFER BLEND, SCOTCH WHISKY, Moderately priced, good quality. Price $8.00 per 1 dozen bottles.

INVALIDS' PORT. This Wine is old, soft, and delicate. We strongly recommend it. Analysed and Certificated by Professor Cassall. Price $16.75 per 1 dozen bottles.

DOURO PORT, This is a fine quality Wine of exceptionally good value. Price $12.00 per 1 dozen bottles.

SHERRIES, AMOROSO, The Earl Mise's shipping. Price $16.75 per 1 dozen bottles. LA TORRE, Price $14.00 per 1 dozen bottles. Pure and natural Wine; a tonic. WHITE SEAL SHERRY—Popular at the Club. Dry, delicate, and of fine flavour. Price $17.75 per 1 dozen bottles.

CLARETS in Quarts and Pints. CHATEAU MOUTON. For a good after dinner Wine we recommend this. Price $26.75 per 1 dozen bottles. LAROSE. This is a very attractive Claret, of good bouquet. Price $15.75 per 1 dozen bottles. MARGAUX-MEDOC. A breakfast Claret. Price $8.75 per 1 dozen bottles.

LIQUEUR. BENEDICTINE, D.O.M. Price $33.50 per 1 dozen bottles.

Agents—SIEMSSEN & Co., HONGKONG. [37

COTTAM & CO. GENERAL OUTFITTERS, &c.

WHITE OXFORD SHIRTS. FANCY OXFORD SHIRTS. FANCY ZEPHYR SHIRTS, ETC., ETC., ETC.

Hongkong, 28th January, 1897. [a29

IND, COOPE & CO.'S PALE ALE.

TRADE MARK.

和源 HONG-NAME YUEN-WO

Is the Product of a High Class English Brew. Bottled in Shanghai without Preservatives of any kind, it retains all the Characteristics of a Light Draught Bitter Ale.

Per Cask of 4 doz. Quarts ... $13.00, per doz. $3.25
" " 8 " Pints ... $14.00, " $1.80

FULL ALLOWANCE GIVEN FOR EMPTIES.

SOLE AGENTS—

Telephone No. 135.

GANDE, PRICE & CO., Wine and Spirit Merchants, No. 12, Queen's Road Central.

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DINNER SETS, DESSERT SETS, TEA SETS

TABLE GLASSWARE

FANCY GLASSWARE FOR TABLE DECORATION.

TOILET SETS (DOUBLE AND SINGLE).

JUST RECEIVED

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO. QUEEN'S ROAD and PRAYA.

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AN IDEAL TONIC.

WATKINS' CHAMPAGNE BITTERS.

STIMULATES THE APPETITE, STRENGTHENS THE NERVES, REGENERATES THE BLOOD, PLEASANT TO THE PALATE.

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INTIMATIONS.

EVERY FACILITY IN CONNECTION WITH LIFE ASSURANCE BUSINESS IS AFFORDED BY THE STANDARD LIFE OFFICE, ONE of the oldest and wealthiest of the British Offices.

Forms of proposal and every information may be obtained from

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 16th November, 1895. [3—1528

INTIMATIONS.

NAPIER JOHNSTONE'S SQUARE BOTTLE WHISKY.

The sale of this good Scotch increases month by month; it is of Superb Quality and of CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s SELECTION.

Sole Agents for it—

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DR. KNORR'S ANTIPYRINE Patented "LION BRAND."

In Powder and Crystals, also in Drops of 5 grains, easily soluble in Water, Wine, etc.

FEVER, RHEUMATIC & NEURALGIC AFFECTIONS. NERVOUS AFFECTIONS.

ARGONIN. (REGISTERED TRADE MARK.) SOLUBLE CASEIN-SILVER PREPARATION.

Used in Gonorrhoea in 1 to 2 per cent. solutions possesses similar bactericide action to silver nitrate, but is distinguished by complete absence of irritating properties.

It is requested that the directions on the boxes for making solutions shall be implicitly allowed.

DR. OVERLACH'S MIGRANINE "LION BRAND" (ANTIPYRIN-CAFFEINE CITRATE.)

(1) Excellent results in the SEVEREST CASES OF MIGRAININE, as well as in HEADACHE ARISING FROM ALCOHOLIC, NICOTINE, AND MORPHIA POISONING, NEURASTHENIA, INFLUENZA, GRIPPE, &c.

(2) The BEST ANTIPYRETIC, even in threatened collapse, because the caffeine of Migrainine acts simultaneously as an ANALEPTIC.

Use only DR. OVERLACH'S MIGRAININE, "Lion Brand," and always prescribe "MIGRAININE HOECHST."

The best medium dose for adults is 17 grains given once or twice daily in powder or in solution.

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CHINA EXPORT, IMPORT & BANK CO., Sole Agents for China.

BEWARE OF SPURIOUS IMITATIONS! [a357

UNITED ASBESTOS ORIENTAL AGENCY (LIMITED).

SOLE AGENTS IN HONGKONG, CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS SETTLEMENTS, FOR THE UNITED ASBESTOS COMPANY, LD., LONDON,

Pioneers of the Asbestos Trade.

Contractors to H.M. Government, and the Principal English, Indian, Colonial, and Foreign Railways, including the Imperial Railways of Japan.

MANUFACTURERS OF The Best Qualities of ASBESTOS and RUBBER GOODS for the Very Highest Pressures. Cheaper Qualities for Low Pressures.

The "VICTOR" METALLIC PACKING has been adopted by the Lords of the Admiralty for use throughout Her Majesty's Navy.

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"SALAMANDER" Non-conducting Composition for Boilers, Hot-water Tanks, Pipes, &c. IN TWO QUALITIES.

SPECIAL QUOTATIONS FOR QUANTITIES.

Superintendent: ... THOS. SKINNER.

DODWELL, CARLILL & CO., General Agents.

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AUCTIONS.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

BY Order of the Official Administrator, the Undersigned has received Instructions to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, TO-DAY (SATURDAY), the 30th January, AT 2.30 P.M., at his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road, SUNDRY EFFECTS belonging to the ESTATE of the late Captain WALTER M. CANDLER.

Comprising:—

One CHRONOMETER, by Robert Roskell, Liverpool.

One CHRONOMETER, by Poole, London.

CHARTS, BOOKS on NAVIGATION and NAUTICAL ASTRONOMY, ETC., ETC., ETC.

Also at the same time

A few BOOKS—Electrical World and Engineering Books.

AND

One DIAMOND LOCKET.

TERMS OF SALE:—As Customary.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 28th January, 1897. [302

PUBLIC AUCTION OF HANDSOME BLACK GRIFFIN.

THE Undersigned has received Instructions to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION TO-DAY (SATURDAY), the 30th January, 1897, AT 2.30 P.M. at his Sale Rooms, Duddell Street.

A handsome 13.2 BLACK GRIFFIN, well Shaped and up to Weight; good Jumper, and has been just broken to Polo. Plays well, and can be seen playing on Friday, 29th instant. Only sold because Owner giving up keeping ponies.

TERMS OF SALE:—AS CUSTOMARY.

GEO. P. LAMMERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 29th January, 1897. [306

PUBLIC AUCTION OF VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, partly of MARINBURK MAKE; BICYCLE, &c.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, TO-DAY (SATURDAY), the 30th January, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at his Sales Room, Duddell Street. The property of D. CRADDOCK, Esq., and others, A QUANTITY OF VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, including some of MARINBURK Manufacture, Comprising:—

DRAWING-ROOM SUITE in SILK TAPESTRY and PLUSH, OVERMANTELS, WRITING BUREAU, FANCY and TEA TABLES, PICTURES, ORNAMENTS, BRONZES, BRUSSELS CARPETS, Various RUGS, FENDERS, BRASS FIRE DOGS, BOOKCASE, STANDARD LAMP, etc., TEAK SIDEBOARD, Marble Top and with Bevelled Glass, DINNER WAGGONS, EXTENSION DINING TABLE and CHAIRS, DINNER and DESSERT SERVICES, ELECTRO-PLATE, GLASSWARE, CUTLERY, TABLE LINEN, PANTRY REQUISITES.

Several IRON and BRASS MOUNTED BEDSTEADS with WIRE and HAIR MATTRESSES, etc., MARBLETOP WASHSTANDS and DRESSING TABLES, CHEST of DRAWERS, WARDROBES with Bevelled Glass Doors and Plain. Several TIN-LINED DRESS BOXES, SCREENS, and SUNDRY BEDROOM FURNITURE, BATHROOM REQUISITES.

ALSO

The MESS GEAR of the WARDROOM MESS of H.M.S. "HUMBER," comprising ELECTRO-PLATE, CUTLERY, GLASS and CROCKERY, TABLE LINEN, &c.

One new JAPANESE RICKSHA with 2 LANTERNS, BELL & BRAKE, Complete.

One AMERICAN PNEUMATIC BICYCLE (almost new), with LAMP and BELL, Complete.

ALSO

One CHRONOMETER (2-days), by SEWILL.

Catalogues will be issued prior to Sale.

On View from FRIDAY, the 29th January.

Terms of Sale:—CASH on Delivery.

GEO. P. LAMMERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 26th January, 1897. [282

SIEN TING, SURGEON DENTIST, No. 10, D'AGUILAR STREET.

TERMS VERY MODERATE, Consultation Free.

Hongkong, 23rd September, 1891. [2175

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Hongkong, 20th November, 1896. [2013

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CHOPS, STEAKS, etc., etc., at any time between 7.30 A.M. and 11.30 P.M.

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Hongkong, 4th September, 1896. [40

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Apply MANAGER.

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Jan. 28, TAIYUAN, British str., 1,459, R. Nelson, Sydney 7th Jan., General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
Jan. 28, DEUTEROS, German str., 1,198, Lassen, Saigon 23rd Jan., Rice.—SIEMSSEN & Co.
Jan. 29, ZAFIRO, British str., 675, A. W. R. Cobban, Manila 26th January, General.—SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.
Jan. 29, DECIMA, German str., 965, Christensen, Saigon 24th Jan., Rice.—SIEMSSEN & Co.
Jan. 29, STRATHALLAN, British str., 1,488, Macoubry, Hongay 27th Jan., Coal.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Jan. 29, ARRATOON APCAR, British str., 1,392, K. H. Sundberg, Calcutta 9th Jan., Penang 16th, and Singapore 22nd, Opium and General.—DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
Jan. 29, BISAGNO, Italian str., 1,499, Mancini Luigi, Bombay and Singapore 21st, General.—CARLOWITZ & Co.
Jan. 29, NAMOA, British str., 862, T. Hall, Foochow 26th Jan., Amoy 27th, and Swatow 28th, General.—DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Jan. 29, HINSANG, British str., 1,576, J. Kynock, Penang via Singapore 21st Jan., General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Jan. 29, DEUCALION, British str., 1,374, Branch, Borneo 23rd Jan., General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
Jan. 29, KIANGPAK, Chinese str., 779, Brissunder, Hankow 18th Jan., Woosung 21st and Swatow 28th, General.—CHINESE.
Jan. 29, MEEFOO, Chinese str., 1,339, Klopfer, Shanghai 26th Jan., General.—C. M. S. N. Co.
Jan. 29, NERITE, British str., 3,051, Daniel, Singapore 21st Jan., Petroleum.—ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.
Jan. 29, PETRARCH, German str., 1,252, L. Schull, Moji 23rd Jan., Coal.—WIELER & Co.
Jan. 29, WONGKOI, British str., 1,115, Stonham, Moji 24th Jan., Coal.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

CLEARANCES.

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On the 28th instant, at his residence Valkeshwar, Bombay, after a long illness, at the ripe age of over 80 years, EBRAHIM NOORDIN, senior partner of the firm of Messrs. Abdoolally Ebrahim & Co., Hongkong and China. [312

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, JANUARY 30TH, 1897.

A JAPANESE vernacular paper the other day indulged in intemperate animadversions on foreigners because a musical entertainment had been advertised to take place during the period of mourning for the late Empress Dowager. "This," we are told, "is not the "first occasion on which foreigners have "shown their want of any sense of shame by "taking advantage of their extraterritorial "privileges to commit lawless acts," and the question is asked, "How is it that "Ministers and Consuls suffer such things "to go on with impunity?" If the *Nippon's* language had been less violent the views expressed could hardly be controverted. In any country, whether foreigners live under a system of extraterritoriality or not, it is unbecoming that they should wound the feelings of the natives by indulging in public festivities or gaieties during a period of national mourning. The Emperor of Japan had ordered that all professional performances of music, dancing, or theatricals should cease through the whole country for a period of fifteen days. This order was of course not obligatory on foreigners, but it would have been well if Ministers and Consuls had notified it to their nationals and invited them to observe it. This would certainly have been preferable to allowing the thoughtless or unintentional disregard of it to form the subject of acrimonious comment in the native journals, for it appears that only a word was required to secure conformity. Mr. MERCK, a professional violincelloist, who had announced an entertainment to be given with the assistance of amateurs, at once postponed it when the matter was brought to his notice, and an organ recital which was to have been given at Union Church was also postponed. At the same time it must be admitted that the excess to which, according to Western ideas, the Japanese carry ceremonial observances may cause some friction when foreigners come under Japanese law. The *Japan Mail* says:—"It has come to our knowledge that a "Japanese policeman, hearing the sounds "of a violin in a foreign house on the "Yokohama Bluff a few days ago, knocked "at the door and asked that the playing "should cease." Our contemporary adds that the policeman "had no competence to "take such a step. The inmates of the "house might have sent him about his "business, might even have procured for "him a reprimand. But they did not. "They treated the constable himself with "civility and his request with respect. "That is an example of the spirit by which "foreigners are really animated." We are not so certain of the assertion made in the last sentence. Many foreigners would be inclined to resent interference with them in their own houses, more especially when the order issued by the Emperor referred only, according to our contemporary's statement, to professional performances. Assuming that such an incident occurred after the abolition of extraterritoriality and that a foreigner was thus brought into conflict with the police, disagreeable discussions might ensue. In matters of this kind, however, we must trust to the good sense of the Japanese Government and of the foreign communities to prevent any small friction that may arise on such points becoming excessive.

Mr. O'Shea, the special correspondent of the *New York Herald* and *China Gazette*, returned from Manila yesterday.

The P. M. steamer *City of Rio de Janeiro* left San Fransisco for this port via Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki, and Shanghai on the 23rd inst.

The N.Y.K. steamer *Tokio Maru*, from Australia, left Thursday Island on the morning of the 29th inst., and may be expected here on the 9th prox.

This afternoon on the Happy Valley in the second round for the Hongkong Football Challenge Shield, A Company, W.Y.R., will play D Company, W.Y.R. Kick-off at 4 p.m. Referee:—Mr. A. E. M. Head, R.A.

The efforts of the Japanese jugglers who gave a performance at the City Hall on Thursday night were not rewarded by a very large audience. The entertainment was of the General type of juggling and legerdemain.

We much regret to learn, from the Manila *Comercio*, of the death of the Rev. Father Faura, director of the Manila Observatory, which occurred on the 23rd January. Father Faura's death is a serious loss to science.

Willison's Circus opens on Monday night on the Reclamation ground opposite the City Hall. The printed programme contains many attractive items, including feats of horsemanship, gymnastic performances, aerial exercises, and tricks by Frederick's trained cats, rats, mice, and canaries. It is evidently intended to give the public full value for their money.

At the regular convocation of the Victoria Chapter No. 525, E.C., held on Thursday evening, the election of Principals and officers took place and resulted as follows:—M.E.Z., Ex. Comp. G. A. Caldwell; H., Ex. Comp. D. Macdonald; J., Comp. R. Mitchell; Scribe E., Comp. G. Piercy, Jr.; Scribe N., Comp. W. J. Tutcher; P.S., Comp. G. J. B. Sayer; Treasurer, Comp. H. M. H. Nemazee; Janitor, Comp. J. Maxwell.

In the *Courrier de Saigon* of the 20th inst. we read that the project of building a special refrigerating sanatorium in Saigon was to be considered by the Saigon Council on the following day. The journal again points out the inestimable advantages to be gained by this method of defying the changeableness of the climate. The interior of the sanatorium will contain dry air kept at one temperature, and our contemporary predicts that this example will be promptly followed by the surrounding countries, as it must result in the saving of hundreds of human lives.

The *Singapore Free Press* of the 21st January says:—The price of Raub shares continues to improve. There was, it is understood, a meeting yesterday afternoon of the local directors, Messrs. T. Scott, J. Anderson, and G. S. Murray, the mine manager, Mr. W. Bibby, being present also. A further dividend, it is believed, will be recommended to the Brisbane Board for sanction, and in the course of correspondence may become payable in March. From a consideration of the present working expenses and the fairly steady returns from the work now going on the prospect of a succession of fair dividends may be said to be assured.

On Thursday afternoon a Chinaman was found on the shore at Laichikok in an almost insensible condition. Both his arms had been blown off above the elbow and insects were eating the lacerated parts. The Customs officials reported the matter to Dr. Rennie, who saw the man and ordered his removal to the Alice Memorial Hospital, but he died before reaching that institution. He suffered his terrible injuries two days ago while fishing with dynamite in company with some other fishermen and as the accident debarred him from taking further part in the fishing expedition he was put ashore by his callous companions and left there to die.

Two Americans, Dr. and Mrs. MacIlrath, have arrived in Bhamo on bicycles. They left Chicago on the 10th April, 1895; rode to the Pacific Coast; went by steamer to Yokohama; rode through Japan; thence by steamer to China. They intended entering Burma through the south of China from Canton, but they were dissuaded from this and went to Shanghai; rode thence to Ichang, going through to Burma, partly by ponies and afterwards on cycles. Dr. and Mrs. MacIlrath propose crossing India and Persia to Constantinople, and will then travel through several European countries. They say the Chinese were very polite within reach of the gunboats, but in the interior they had much trouble from subordinate officials.

A cricket match will be played to-day, the Public Schools and Universities *v.* the World, commencing at eleven o'clock. The following are the teams:—

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Surgeon-Major Johnston	H. McKenzie
Lieut. Ryall, W.Y.R.	Capt. Mould, R.E.

By the courtesy of Colonel Faithfull and the officers of the Hongkong Regiment their band will play on the ground during the afternoon.

The M.M. steamer *Tibre*, which arrived at Singapore on the 18th January from Saigon, reports that on the 17th at 11.30 a.m. she sighted a large Chinese junk in distress, in lat. 4 deg. 11 m. N. and long. 102 deg. 51 m. E. of Paris. On boarding her it was discovered that she was from Hainan and bound for Banka with 350 passengers. For two days they had been without water, and at that distance from land would undoubtedly have lost many of them from thirst had they not fallen in with the *Tibre*. Capt. Gregory gave them what water and provisions he could spare, but these were quite insufficient to last the junk till she got to land, and he suggested towing them. They said they had no money to pay, and seeing the evident distress of the passengers Capt. Gregory towed them to Pulau Aor, a distance of 110 miles, where they would be able to revictual. For a wonder the Chinamen evinced some gratitude and begged the acceptance of a basket of chickens as a mark thereof.—*Free Press.*

When the German mail steamer *Prinz Heinrich* was leaving the China Merchants' Lower Wharf at Shanghai on the 23rd January, and when gradually pay off the bow line with a tremendous strain on, it happened to touch the mast of a native rice boat, which was lying, with many others, at hand. The owner of the boat immediately grasped an axe and with several strokes, in spite of dismayed shouts from both ship and shore, severed the line. The *Prinz Heinrich* might have swung round and drifted into the shipping with appalling results, but the danger was most fortunately averted in time. The boatman was immediately arrested, and appeared at the Mixed Court on the 25th. The damaged line was stated to be of the value of about $500; and in addition to this the gravity of the offence imparted a most serious air to the case. The evidence of the European wharfinger at the China Merchants' Lower Wharf was taken, the case being finally remanded till the 27th for the production of additional testimony.—*Mercury.*

The N.D.L. steamer *Prinz Heinrich* left Shanghai on the 29th inst. at 10 a.m., and is expected here to-morrow night.

The *Straits Times* says:—A fresh rumour reaches us that Sir Charles Mitchell is to retire from his post as Governor of the Straits Settlements, and that he is to be succeeded by Sir Henry Arthur Blake, who since 1888 has held the governorship of Jamaica. Rumour, however, has been busy for a long time past as to Sir Charles's possible removal, and it would be unsafe to place too much reliance on the present reports. Mr. Swettenham is to go home on leave in March, and it does not seem likely that the Government should then be handed to a stranger who, of course, has no local knowledge, and who would take time to acquire a useful amount of local knowledge. But, on the other hand, there are reasons in support of the theory that the rumour has some foundation in fact.

The grand military concert to be given in the City Hall to-night bids fair to be a complete success. The booking of seats has been very good and there is every probability of a large audience. The full band of the West Yorkshire Regiment, with drums and fifes, will be present, and the whole will be under the leadership of Mr. W. G. B. Bentley, A.R.C.M. The following is the programme:—

March .... "Pere la Victoire" ...... Louis Ganne.
Overture ...... "Maritana" .... Wallace.
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Three Dances—(a) Morris (b) Shepherds' (c) Torch .... E. German.
Descriptive Fantasia "The Smithy in the Wood" .... Michaells.
Cornet Solo ... "The Lost Chord" .... Sullivan.
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INTERVAL.
The British Army Quadrilles.
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REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE "DAILY PRESS."]

LONDON, 26th January.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

The House of Commons has voted the Address.

THE PLAGUE CONFERENCE.

The Plague Conference will meet at Venice on the 10th February.

INDIAN FAMINE RELIEF.

The first cargo of Russian grain collected for the Indian famine sails from Odessa in a few days.

THE PLAGUE AT BOMBAY.

The plague at Bombay is unabated.

MACAO.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

29th January.

On Monday the launches running between Macao, Taipa, and Colawan were racing, with the result that one of them came into collision with a fishing junk near the inner harbour. Both the junk and the launch were damaged and some of the passengers on the launch sustained serious injuries. The Chinese captains of the launches should be warned against the reckless navigation that racing gives rise to.

Some Japanese have started a glass factory here and the establishment commenced work a few days ago. This is a welcome addition to our local industries and I hope the venture may be successful.

Two gentlemen recently came over here and had an interview with the Governor in which they offered, on behalf of a company they represent, to undertake the dredging of the harbour. It is said the same company has secured contracts for similar purposes in China and Japan. They will not, however, undertake small jobs, a quarter of a million of dollars being their minimum charge. Our hopes rest on Senhor Horta e Costa to do all that is possible for the improvement of our harbour, for he undoubtedly has the interests of the colony at heart.

Permits have after all been granted to the Chinese gamblors to place their colu-colu tables in the streets from the 31st January to the 4th February. The fee for each table is $9 or $10. About two hundred permits have been issued up to the present. It is said an order will be issued on Saturday prohibiting Government servants frequenting these tables.

The Right Rev. Bishop Medeiros, who has been on a visit to Timor, is seriously ill. He is now returning to Macao.

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

Yesterday afternoon the annual meeting of seatholders in St. John's Cathedral was held at the City Hall. The Rev. R. F. Cobbold presided and there was a fair attendance.

The CHAIRMAN said it was a matter of regret, which he was sure everyone present would share, that they had not Bishop Burdon to occupy the chair. With regard to the appointment of Bishop Burdon's successor there was no news from home, and as far as he (the Chairman) understood no definite steps had been taken to make an appointment. The delay was probably due to two causes, one of which was that the formalities of Bishop Burdon's resignation had only recently been concluded. Secondly, no doubt the death of the Archbishop of Canterbury and the appointment of his successor had delayed matters. Probably as soon as the formalities of the translation of Dr. Temple to the Archbishopric of Canterbury were completed steps would be taken to send a fit man out here as Bishop Burdon's successor. He (the Chairman) knew the authorities at home were not unmindful of the needs of Hongkong in this respect.

The accounts were then adopted.

Mr. W. G. HUMPHREYS said he would like to say one or two words about the ritualistic innovations introduced by the Chairman into St. John's Cathedral.

Hon. Commander RUMSEY rose to order. It was not competent for the meeting to discuss that question.

The CHAIRMAN said the business now was the election of the Church Body, and Mr. Humphreys would have an opportunity of making his remarks after the meeting was over.

The following gentlemen were then appointed members of the Church Body:—Sir John Carrington, Hon. F. A. Cooper, Hon. R. M. Rumsey, Messrs. T. Jackson, H. B. H. Lethbridge, and E. Osborne. Mr. McBean was elected auditor.

The regulations under which the Church Body carry on business matters were then confirmed. The CHAIRMAN remarked that they were not quite clear in the wording. As an example he mentioned one regulation which spoke of the annual meeting as a meeting of seatholders, and the people who were entitled to vote at the meeting were described as seatholders and subscribers. He did not think it was the intention of the Ordinance or of the regulations that a distinction should be drawn between seatholders and subscribers and he hoped that one of the first duties of the Church Body would be to revise the regulations with the assistance of a skilled man who was in the habit of drawing of such documents.

Mr. JACKSON proposed and Hon. Commander RUMSEY seconded a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Wright for his kindness and labour in carrying on the duties of hon. treasurer.

The resolution was carried.

An informal discussion then took place between Mr. Humphreys and the Rev. R. F. Cobbold, after the latter had left the chair, in reference to ornaments which had been used in the Church since Christmas Day. No definite decision was arrived at in regard to the point.

THE NAVY LEAGUE AND THE NAVY ESTIMATES.

Mr. H. E. Pollock, Hon. Secretary of the Navy League, Hongkong Branch, informs us that the resolution against any reduction being made in the Navy Estimates has been signed by 462 British subjects here, excluding members of the Civil, Naval, and Military services, who have not signed.

In addition to the above, thirty-one signatures have been obtained from Canton and thirty from Amoy.

CLARKE'S WORLD-FAMED BLOOD MIXTURE.—"The most searching Blood Cleanser that science and medical skill have brought to light." Sufferers from Scrofula, Scurvy, Eczema, Bad Legs, Skin and Blood Diseases, Pimples, and Sores of any kind are solicited to give it a trial to test its value. Thousands of wonderful cures have been effected by it. Sold everywhere at 2s. 9d. per bottle. Beware of worthless imitations and substitutes. [190

THE SOY CHEE COTTON SPINNING CO., LIMITED.

Shanghai, 25th January.

The main steam engines of the above mill were successfully started on Saturday afternoon last, by the superintendent engineer of the mill, M. M. Mutter, in the presence of a number of gentlemen, including Mr. H. Lehmann, representing the general manager. The high pressure engine was named Lehmann after the above gentlemen, and the low pressure engine Arnhold after the head of the firm of Messrs. Arnhold, Karberg & Co., the general managers. These large engines, equal to 1,500 indicated horse-power, when fully loaded were run for a little over two hours continuously without a hitch, everything working smoothly and satisfactorily. Messrs. Asa Lees & Co. of Oldham, who are the makers of the textile machinery for the mill, placed the order for the steam engine with the well-known firm of engineers, Messrs J. & E. Woods of Bolton, every part of the engines being made by this firm, who are to be congratulated upon the thoroughly good, strong, and efficient job they have turned out, and also upon the excellent quality of the material and workmanship.—*Mercury.*

THE REPORTED PLAGUE AT SINGAPORE.

A special meeting of the Municipal Commissioners of Singapore was held on the 20th January at which a resolution was passed empowering Inspectors to enter houses. In the course of the discussion Mr. Tan Jiak Kim said he would like to know whether the Health Officer could make any statement which would ease the public mind. Was there any chance of the plague coming to Singapore?

Dr. Middleton, in reply, said there was a chance of the bubonic plague breaking out in Singapore. He knew of no reason why the place should be exempt, but it had never been known to flourish in tropical regions. At the same time there was no reason why sporadic cases should not occur here. The total number of suspicious cases since the beginning of the year was 22, including amongst the suspicious cases all those which had occurred two or three in one house, and those in which the symptoms did not conform to the ordinary symptoms of fever. All these cases had been seen after death, either by the Government Medical Registrars or by medical men in town. All suspicious cases were being treated as if they were cases of plague or infectious desease. Several cases had been sent to the General Hospital or the Pauper Hospital, but in no instance had there been any definite sign of plague discovered. Cases had been reported from different parts of the town by medical men, and these were being sent to Hospital and kept under observation. Three cases had been sent to the General Hospital, all of whom had died, two of whom were Chotties, but post-mortem examination showed no enlargement of the glands. The third was a Chinese and death in his case was due to typhoid fever. In the Pauper Hospital four suspicious cases had been treated, two Chutties and two Chinese. One of these recovered, and the other died, but he did not know whether any post-mortem had been made. The two Chinese were found to be suffering from typhoid fever and the enlargement of the glands was due to some other cause. In no case had anything been found which would warrant them in saying that an outbreak of plague had occurred. In the meantime the cleansing of houses was going on in Market Street, where most of the cases had occurred. Fifteen cases had been reported from Nos. 91 and 93, Market Street.

The *Free Press* of the 21st January says:—We are glad to say that the recent cases of suspicious illness in this place have been shown to be peculiarly aggravated cases of typhoid fever. The case which caused the chief anxiety was that of a girl who died at the General Hospital. The post-mortem examination exhibited the "Peyer's patches" on the intestines and the other characteristic symptoms of the disease. Of course where there is abdominal inflammation of a severe nature the abdominal and other lymphatic glands are bound to exhibit signs of inflammatory disturbance as well. The doubt as to the precise character of the disease in this and other cases is explained by the well-known fact that in certain types of disease such as typhus, typhoid, small-pox, scarlet fever, and so forth, it often occurs that where the attack is of a specially virulent character the patient may die before the distinctive characteristic symptoms have had time to develop, at least so definitely as to enable the disease to be differentiated with precision. This is exactly what has occurred with regard to the small number of obscure cases which have set some apprehensions afloat to their possible real character. While a day or two ago the medical authorities would not undertake to say definitely what the Market Street cases were, we understand that they are now enabled to say what they are and what they are not. They certainly are not plague, and there has not been a single case of the kind here.

The *Straits Times* of the 19th January in the course of a paragraph on the subject said:—We believe that some samples of matter obtained from patients who have recently died here under the suspicion of plague have been sent to Hongkong, and, in the meantime, the local faculty is doing all that it can to get at the bottom of a disease that undoubtedly is becoming prevalent and that does not fall within the usual types.

BIG RISE IN FREIGHTS IN THE STRAITS.

The twenty-shilling rate, agreed upon by the Straits homeward conference, came into existence on the 1st of January, subject to a rebate to shippers who confine their shipments entirely to conference steamers. To-day (19th January), the rates have been raised to 22s. 6d. for February, and 25/- for March and April. Tin has gone up from 5s. before the conference started to 12s. for February, March, and April. In outward rates there has been a rise of from 30s. at the beginning of the year to 42s. 6d. now for fine cargo (measurement) and nearly all the steamers leaving the United Kingdom have been shutting down cargo heavily. Trade seems much livelier than it has been for some time, tonnage being very scarce both homewards and outwards. It is considered doubtful, however, whether the increase of the Straits homeward rate has not been too sudden. It is a temptation to outside ships to come in.—*Straits Times.*

THE INDIAN FAMINE.

Singapore, 28th January.

We are in receipt to-day of a most important private telegram from India in which we are informed that it is estimated that at least six hundred lacs of rupees will be required for the relief of the sufferers by the Famine. Public meetings, the telegram adds, are being held at Calcutta, Madras, and other convenient centres. At Calcutta, twenty-nine thousand rupees were subscribed in one room. The Viceroy, Lord Elgin, has contributed ten thousand rupees. It is reported that the distress is appalling.

A still later telegram, received from a private source just as we go to press, says that nearly one and a half millions of people are on the relief works. The details are 652,000 in the North-West Provinces and Oudh; 165,000 in Bombay; 160,000 in Bengal; 145,000 in the Central Provinces; 60,000 in the Punjaub; 30,000 in Rajputana; 35,000 in Central India; 30,000 in Burmah; and 27,000 in Madras.

Supplementing these telegrams, we have to hand a private letter from India which deplores the delay that has occurred in the starting of relief funds. The writer alleges that the Government of India have been very negligent in failing to recognise the dimensions of the disaster, with which they have been confronted. They have, however, awakened at length, at a very late hour, he says, to the responsibilities that are cast upon them. The misery of the people over vast areas is terrible, and the wail for relief is such as even India never before has heard.—*Straits Times.*

At a meeting of the Supreme Legislative Council of India on the 7th January Sir John Woodburn made a statement of the situation as regards the famine. Sir John Woodburn said: The timely rains of November and December have saved India from what threatened in the middle of November to be the greatest calamity of the present century, so widespread and severe was the drought with which the country was affected. From a calamity of that extent the country was preserved. Considerable areas were sown with assistance of the November rain, and the crops then sown have in a greater portion of the affected area been greatly benefited by the further rains of last week. A substantial addition to the food-stocks may now be confidently expected in April, and the worst of the possible contingencies has been avoided; but even with this saving help the situation is very grave. Nearly three-quarters of a million of people are already in receipt of relief, and it is certain that the numbers must be very largely increased before any diminution whatever can take place. The task of providing relief to these enormous numbers is gigantic, and will demand the utmost energy and circumspection on the part of the local authorities to make it efficient. The Government of India have given, and will continue to give the Local Governments unstinted help in money or men; they grudge no expenditure that is necessary to meet it. On local officers, however, will fall all the real stress and strain of the management of operations. The Viceroy, after the close of Sir John Woodburn's remarks, said he had consented to preside at a meeting, in Calcutta, to consider the desirability of raising private subscriptions towards the relief of the famine-stricken.

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The following telegrams are from Australian papers received by the C. N. Co.'s steamer *Taiyuan*:—

FRANCE AND ABYSSINIA.

London, 25th December.

The French Government is parleying with Abyssinia for the construction of a railway from Ambual to Harar, in the Galla country, about 200 miles from Berber.

THE LATE SHAH OF PERSIA'S FORTUNE.

London, 25th December.

The late Shah of Persia left a fortune amounting to £40,000,000. The present Shah (Muzaffer-ed-Din) intends to devote £4,000,000 of that sum to public purposes.

THE DEATH OF MR CRACKANTHORPE.

London, 26th December.

It is believed that Mr. Hubert Crackanthorpe, the English author, who mysterious disappeared from his hotel in Paris, and whose body was subsequently found in the Seine, committed suicide.

POST-OFFICE SAVINGS BANKS AND THE RATE OF INTEREST.

London, 26th December.

It is likely that the rate of interest on deposits in the British Post-office Savings Banks will be reduced to 2½ per cent.

THE PACIFIC-ATLANTIC STEAM SERVICE.

London, 29th December.

The Hon. Wilfrid Laurier, the Premier of the Canadian Dominion, is disgusted at the efforts which are being made by Sir Charles Tupper, the late Premier of Canada, to rush the acceptance of the tender of the Allan line for the new fast Atlantic mail service in connection with the Sydney-Vancouver line, especially after Sir Charles's previous attempts to discredit the scheme.

Mr. Laurier considers that Mr. James Huddart is equally able with the Allan line to raise the capital necessary to execute the contract, and thinks it will be an advantage to have both the Pacific and Atlantic services under the same management.

THE GREAT BOG SLIDE IN IRELAND.

London, 29th December.

The moving bog in County Kerry, Ireland, is a mile and a half wide and 30 ft. deep. It is flowing towards the Lakes of Killarney.

Bridges and roads have been destroyed, besides many head of cattle and a great quantity of farm produce.

The river Flesk, which flows northward from the lower lake (Lough Leane), is blocked by the bog.

The electric light works recently erected for the lighting of the town of Killarney have been stopped, and the town is in semi-darkness.

London, 31st December.

The Queen has sent a message of sympathy to the sufferers by the great bog slide in Ireland.

RUSSIA AND CHINA.

The *National Zeitung*, a daily newspaper of Berlin, states that the recently-published treaty between Russia and China is but the fragment of a wider agreement, the ultimate effect of which will be to assign Port Arthur to Russia.

MR. GLADSTONE'S BIRTHDAY.

London, 30th December.

Numerous banquets and public meetings were held throughout the country yesterday on the occasion of the anniversary of Mr. Gladstone's birthday.

Messages were forwarded to Mr. Gladstone congratulating him on the attainment of his 87th year.

THE AMERICAN TARIFF.

London, 30th December.

A committee of the United States Senate is taking evidence daily at Washington on the tariff question.

Leading representatives of various trades who have been examined have given evidence demanding an increased tariff.

PRUSSIAN FINANCE.

London, 30th December.

The Prussian Government is converting the whole of its 4 per cent. consols into 3½ per cent.

THE CABLE COMMISSION.

London, 31st December.

A progress report from the Cable Commission states that all arrangements have been completed, and that everything now depends on the amount of the Imperial subsidy.

FASHIONABLE MARRIAGE.

London, 30th December.

The marriage of Captain E. J. Strachey, of the 2nd Battalion Rifle Brigade, with Miss Grace Norman, daughter of Sir Henry Norman, formerly Governor of Queensland, took place to-day.

PECULIAR ACCIDENT TO A VESSEL.

London, 31st December.

A drilling vessel which was engaged in deepening the Devonport dockyard has met with an extraordinary accident. A gale was blowing, and after a charge of dynamite had been placed in the dock by those in the vessel, the gale caught the vessel and drove it over the area of the explosion. The vessel was capsized and two of those on board were drowned. Fifty others escaped with great difficulty.

ANGLO-AMERICAN ARBITRATION.

London, 1st January.

It is understood that Lord Salisbury has expressed his disapproval of some of the technical points in the general treaty of arbitration between Great Britain and the United States which was recently drawn up, and the details of which were regarded as having been practically settled.

GERMANY AND GREAT BRITAIN.

London, 1st January.

The Berlin correspondent of the *Times* says that there are continued signs of animosity on the part of Germany towards Great Britain, and this will be the chief feature during the coming year of the foreign relations of Germany.

CANADIAN POLITICS.

London, 1st January.

The Hon. Wilfred Laurier, Premier of Canada, in a speech delivered at Montreal, said the work of the Tariff Committee would have the effect of lightening the burdens of the people. He stated that he hoped to maintain the existing settlement with regard to the schools in Manitoba, and declared that he had devoted his life to the task of binding together the various sections of the Canadian people.

LORD PENRHYN'S QUARRIES CLOSED.

London, 1st January.

In consequence of disputes with his workmen, Lord Penrhyn has decided to close his extensive quarries in Wales.

ACCIDENT TO LORD WILLIAM BERESFORD.

London, 1st January.

Lord William Beresford, V.C., who has had a distinguished military career, and was military secretary to several successive Viceroys of India, met with a very serious accident while engaged in a stag hunt at Gatwick yesterday. His horse, in jumping a fence, stumbled, and after turning a complete somersault fell upon his rider, and on being picked up Lord William was found to have sustained serious internal injuries.

London, 2nd January.

It has been ascertained that Lord William Beresford, who was seriously injured by his horse falling upon him while he was engaged in a stag hunt at Gatwick, sustained a fracture of the pelvis. Latest reports, however, state that his condition is improving.

ENGLISH SCULLING.

London, 1st January.

W. Staines won the sculling race (Christmas Open Handicap) on the Tyne to-day. Sullivan, the New Zealand champion, retired. Wray was beaten in the third round. Sullivan has now challenged the winner.

Wray has challenged C. R. Harding to row on the Thames for £200 a side.

London, 6th January.

Haines, who won the Christmas Open Handicap Sculling Race on the Tyne, has been matched to row Stephenson on the 1st February. A fortnight later he will row Sullivan, the ex-New Zealand champion, who retired in the race on the Tyne, and afterwards challenged the winner.

ACTIVITY IN NEW COMPANIES.

London, 2nd January.

The *Times*, in a financial article published to-day, states that new capital to the amount of £276,000,000 has been floated by various companies during the past six months.

A MUNIFICENT GIFT.

London 3rd January.

The Baroness Hirsch, widow of Baron Hirsch, whose death occurred last year, has presented two millions of francs to the Pasteur Institute in Paris.

KING PREMPEH.

London, 3rd January.

King Prempeh of Ashantee, who surrendered to the British at Coomassie, and who in February of last year was interned in the fortress at Elmina, in the Gold Coast Colony, has now been removed to Sierra Leone.

MR. GLADSTONE AND THE SULTAN.

London, 5th January.

A letter from Mr. Gladstone has been published in the Italian newspapers, in which he declares that the cruelty, insolence, and lies of the Sultan of Turkey will soon be brought to an end.

AUSTRIAN ARTILLERY.

London, 4th January.

The Austrian Government have decided to expend 100,000,000 marks (£5,000,000) in replacing the artillery now in use with quick-firing guns.

BULGARIAN OFFICERS AMNESTIED.

London, 4th January.

The Bulgarian Sobranje, or Parliament, has decided to grant both an amnesty and a pension to the Bulgarian military officers who deserted to the Russian army after the deposition of Prince Alexander in 1886.

RESIGNATION OF LORD JUSTICE KAY.

London, 4th January.

It is announced that Lord Justice Kay, one of the Judges of the Court of Appeal, who has been seriously ill for some time past, and who, having served on the Bench for more than fifteen years, is entitled to a retiring pension, has resigned. He will be succeeded by Mr. Justice (Sir Joseph William) Chitty, the Senior Judge of the Chancery Division of the High Court of Justice.

A TRADES UNION QUESTION.

London, 4th January.

Mr. John Burns, M.P., the well-known Labour leader, advocates a fusion of the various trades unions, and the appointment of Messrs. W. T. Howell, Conservative member for Denbigh; Mr. Henry Broadhurst, M.P.; and Mr. Tom Mann, as a labour bureau and arbitrators in all trades union disputes.

ILLNESS OF PRINCESS LOUISE.

London, 3rd January.

Princess Louise, one of the daughters of the Queen, and wife of the Marquis of Lorne, is reported to be unwell.

London, 5th January.

H.R.H. Princess Louise, Marchioness of Lorne, who has lately been unwell, is now recovering.

BUILDING FRENCH WARSHIPS IN ENGLAND.

London, 4th January.

Owing to the activity of the French naval authorities in increasing the strength of the navy, all the shipbuilding yards in France are now engaged to their full capacity, and the French newspapers are discussing the question whether orders for new warships should be placed in England.

RUSSIA AND THE EGYPTIAN QUESTION.

London, 4th January.

M. de Blowitz, Paris correspondent of the *Times*, communicates to that journal a revelation to the effect that the resignation in March last of M. Berthelot, who was Minister for Foreign Affairs in the Bourgeois Cabinet, was the direct outcome of the objection taken by the Russian Government to the minatory policy of France towards Great Britain with regard to the occupation of Egypt.

ACCIDENT TO SIR HENRY IRVING.

London, 4th January.

Sir Henry Irving, the celebrated actor, has sustained a severe accident to his knee, and is at present unable to appear upon the stage. It is expected that some weeks will be required to effect a cure of the injury.

ALIEN IMMIGRANTS IN THE TRANSVAAL.

London, 5th January.

Reports from South Africa state that the law recently passed dealing with alien immigrants is being carried out in a very lenient manner by the Transvaal Government, and genuine colonists have not been meddled with.

PUNITIVE EXPEDITION IN CENTRAL AFRICA.

Information has been received from British Central Africa of the success of the punitive force sent against the Angoni Zulus, who, under the leadership of the chief Csikusi, recently burned the Ntonda Mission Station on Lake Nyassa and killed the missionaries, and afterwards occupied the Upper Shire stations and massacred the occupants of the villages there. The British force, after ascending a mountain to a height of 1,500ft., came up with the insurgent natives, whom they completely routed. Csikusi was captured, and after being tried by court-martial was shot.

DUELLING IN GERMANY.

London, 5th January.

The authority of the German Courts of Honour has now been extended so as to include challenges between military officers and civilians. The general public, however, consider that this will not put any effective stop to the present system of duelling.

London, 6th January.

The Emperor William of Germany has issued an edict to the officers of the German army, in which, while he does not forbid the practice of duelling, he declares that many of the duels which now take place are entirely unnecessary, and advises officers to adopt a more conciliatory attitude on the occasion of any dispute.

THE JAPANESE NAVY.

London, 6th January.

The Japanese Government have purchased the Brazilian cruiser *Almirante Barrozo.*

MINERS' FEDERATION CONGRESS.

London, 6th January.

The annual congress of the Miners' Federation of Great Britain was opened at Leicester yesterday.

The chairman, Mr. Benjamin Pickard, M.P., in his opening speech, declared that the fixing by statute of a living wage in Victoria was among the big events of the year 1896.

The Federation is now discussing privately a motion in favour of the nationalisation of the land, minerals, and railways, upon which an amendment has been moved affirming that the Congress should adhere to the present Labour Union lines.

THE LAMBETH CONFERENCE.

London, 6th January.

The Most Rev. Dr. Temple, the new Archbishop of Canterbury, has appointed Mr. F. W. Pennefather as lay secretary of the forthcoming Pan-Anglican Conference at Lambeth.

ACCIDENT TO MR. CHAPLIN.

London, 6th January.

The Right Hon. Henry Chaplin, President of the Local Government Board, was thrown from his horse while out hunting at Trentham Hall yesterday, and sustained injuries of a serious nature.

DEATH PENALTY IN AMERICA.

London, 6th January.

The United States Congress has passed an Act abolishing the death penalty for fifty-five out of the sixty capital offences in the present Federal Penal Code.

THE UNITED STATES AND CUBA.

London, 26th December.

M. Blowitz, the Paris correspondent of the *Times*, says that the European Powers have forwarded a joint communication to President Cleveland, informing him in friendly terms that the Powers would not remain impassive if the Cubans were recognised as belligerents and encouraged by the United States. There was an uneasy feeling in Europe at the action of the United States in regard to Cuba, which was considered menacing to those Powers possessing territory in proximity to Cuba. In the event of the United States officially siding with the Cubans, Germany, M. Blowitz declares, is ready to take the part of Spain.

London, 31st December.

With reference to the recent report that the leading European Powers had informed President Cleveland in friendly terms that it would be impossible for them to maintain a passive attitude if the Cuban insurgents were encouraged to declare their independence of Spain, the *Washington Post* publishes an article in which it states that it is evident the Powers have agreed that America must prove her ability to enforce the Monroe doctrine.

THE CUBAN REVOLT.

London, 26th December.

It is reported from the United States that the filibustering vessel *Three Friends*, while off the Cuban coast with arms intended for the rebels, had a sharp conflict with a Spanish gunboat.

The filibuster landed her arms and succeeded in escaping, after a second fight, in which she disabled two Spanish cruisers by means of heavy cannonading with quick-firing guns.

London, 30th December.

Officials at Washington and also at Madrid deny the authenticity of the report to the effect that arrangements had been made with a view to mediation by the United States Government in regard to Cuba.

It is admitted, however, that parleying in that direction has been going on.

London, 31st December.

Several of the leading newspapers in Madrid have demanded that General Azcarraga be appointed commander of the Spanish forces in Cuba, in place of General Weyler, as the latter has failed to suppress the insurrection there.

The issues of the papers publishing this demand have been confiscated by the Spanish authorities, and the incident has caused a considerable sensation.

London, 1st January.

Reports from Cuba state that Rivera, who succeeded Maceo as leader of the Cuban insurgents after the death of the latter recently, has been defeated by the Spanish troops with heavy loss.

London, 3rd January.

The well-known filibustering steamer *Commodore*, which has already made several trips to Cuba from the United States in the rebel interest, has cleared at Jacksonville, Florida, with a cargo of dynamite, rifles, and ammunition for the Cuban insurgents. The Spanish Consul has protested to the United States authorities against the steamer being allowed to leave port.

London, 4th January.

Later information states that the filibustering steamer *Commodore*, which was in a leaky condition when she left Jacksonville, foundered off New Smyrna, on the coast of Florida, but all the members of the crew were saved.

London, 4th January.

It is now reported that the filibustering steamer *Commodore*, which left Jacksonville with a cargo of dynamite, rifles, and ammunition for the Cuban insurgents, and afterwards foundered at New Smyrna, on the coast of Florida, was scuttled, her pumps having been previously tampered with. Six Cubans who were known to be on board are now missing.

London, 5th January.

Previous reports of the foundering of the steamer *Commodore* stated that the crew were all saved, but according to information since received sixteen were drowned.

London, 5th January.

It is now stated in America that the filibustering steamer *Commodore* was scuttled by a traitor who was in the pay of the Spanish. One of the survivors is suspected of having assisted in the scuttling, and he is being closely watched.

It is reported in a New York paper that Stephen Crane, the well-known novelist, was on board the *Commodore*, and escaped at the last moment in a small boat.

The French Press, commenting upon the attitude of the United States with regard to the insurrection in Cuba, strongly counsels Signor Canovas, the Spanish Premier, to take measures for the pacification of Cuba before Mr. M'Kinley assumes the Presidency of the United States in March next.

THE GERMAN EXCHANGES.

London, 31st December.

The members of the Stock Exchanges of Berlin and Stettin have abandoned the practice of attending meetings of the Exchanges, as a protest against the recently passed law preventing them from "time dealing" in corn shares and mining and other shares, except by those who operate with a capital of a million sterling.

London, 1st January.

The members of the Berlin Stock Exchange having abandoned their attendance as a protest against the law recently passed by the German Parliament, prohibiting time-dealing in grain and in mining and other companies having a capital under £1,000,000, are now forming free exchanges.

London, 5th January.

The members of the Stock Exchanges at Posen and other centres of the grain trade in Germany have taken action similar to that of the Berlin and Stettin Exchanges as a protest against the law passed by the German Parliament prohibiting time-dealing in grain.

IRELAND AND IMPERIAL TAXATION.

London, 30th December.

A great meeting representative of all classes has been held at Limerick, at which a resolution, similar in terms to that adopted by the Dublin meeting, was passed, declaring that the excessive taxation of Ireland was a national grievance, and demanding that the subject should receive the immediate attention of the Imperial Government.

The Earl of Dunraven presided over the meeting.

Dr. O'Dwyer, Bishop of Limerick, who was one of the speakers, advised looking to the example of Lord Charlemont and the Irish volunteers of 1782.

Lord Fermoy also spoke, and strongly supported the demand for an alteration in the present system of Imperial taxation of Ireland.

Later.

Meetings of the Irish National League have been held in Dublin, at which it was determined to carry on a ceaseless agitation against the system of Irish taxation. The league is confident that the amount of taxation exacted in excess of what is regarded as a just proportion will be restored to Ireland.

Lord Longford, who was requested to convene a meeting in the county of Longford with the same object as the gatherings held in Dublin and Limerick, has refused to comply with the wishes of the promoters of the movement.

London, 31st December.

The members of the Irish party in the House of Commons intend to move an amendment on the Address-in-Reply to the opening of the approaching session of Parliament, upon the question of Ireland's financial grievances.

London, 2nd January.

In connection with the agitation for a reduction in the alleged excessive taxation in Ireland, the Earl of Jersey states that for the years 1893 and 1894 Ireland paid a sum of two and three-quarters millions sterling above the amount which is now reckoned as her just contribution to the Imperial revenue. But against this excess of taxation there was an expenditure of three and three-quarters millions for Irish purposes in excess of the amount which would be admissible if the expenditure had been in accordance with the taxable capacity of Ireland. The leaders of the new movement in Ireland claimed that that country should only pay one-twentieth of the total amount of the taxation of the United Kingdom, but he argued that owing to the excess of expenditure, Ireland was really paying only one-thirtieth.

London, 5th January.

Sir Edward Clarke, Q.C., M.P. for Plymouth, and who was Solicitor-General in Lord Salisbury's previous Ministry, in a speech delivered at Plymouth last night, spoke strongly in support of the report of the Committee on the Financial Relations between Great Britain and Ireland, which showed that Ireland paid far more than her proportionate share of Imperial taxation.

The agitation recently commenced in Ireland for a reduction in the present excessive taxation is now arousing great interest in England, and the claims put forward on behalf of the Irish people are generally being vigorously contested.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Canton*, from Shanghai 24th Jan., had fresh N.E. monsoon with high sea to Turnabout; thence moderate N.E. monsoon with dull cloudy weather to port.

The British steamer *Belgic*, from San Francisco 29th Dec., Yokohama 19th Jan., Kobe 21st, Nagasaki 23rd, and Shanghai 25th, had a succession of westerly gales and high seas to Yokohama. From Yokohama down had fine weather and smooth sea with very light monsoon.

The British steamer *Arratoon Apcar*, from Calcutta 9th Jan., Penang 16th, and Singapore 22nd, had fine weather in the Bay of Bengal. From Singapore experienced moderate monsoon to lat. 11 N., long. 111 E., thence to arrival had fine clear weather with light N.E. and S. winds and smooth sea.

The British steamer *Namoa*, from Foochow 26th Jan., Amoy 27th, and Swatow 28th, had fresh N.N.E. breeze and fine weather to Amoy. From Amoy to Swatow light variable winds. From Swatow to port light S.E. wind and fog. In Foochow—Str. *Fooksang*. In Amoy—Str. *Velox*. In Swatow—Strs. *Glenfalloch*, *Devawongse*, *Wenshow*, and *Yikming*.

EXPORT CARGOES.

The German steamer *Bellona*, sailed on the 18th January. From Hongkong for Odessa:—80 boxes staraniseed. For Havre:—67 boxes bristles, 110 packages tea, 7 cases feathers, 40 cases China and blackwoodware, 90 packages canes, 100 cases staraniseed, 7 cases china ink, 5 cases essential oil, 203 rolls matting and 1 case enamelled ware. For Havre option Hamburg:—30 bales canes, 332 rolls matting, 1,110 cases camphor, 12 cases human hair, 2 cases blackwoodware, 3 cases silk and 400 cases cassia. For Havre option Hamburg option London:—303 boxes camphor and 100 cases aniseed. For Hamburg:—50 cases staraniseed, 797 bales canes, 771 bales feathers, 149 rolls matting, 730 cases cassia oil, 20 cases essential oil, 14 cases fans, 22 packages rice, 71 bags beans, 10 bales palmbark, 20 boxes galinuts, 49 cases teastick, 300 bales rattan, 35 bales rattancore, 410 cases camphor, 200 cases ginger, 7 cases hair, 4,287 packages tea, 2 cases camphor oil, 10 cases vermilion, 7 cases private effects, 12 cases chinaware, 9 cases blackwoodware and 34 packages sundries. For Hamburg option Bremen:—18 rolls matting. For Amsterdam:—100 casks ginger and 4 cases essential oil. For New York:—41 cases essential oil.

The *Polyphemus*, sailed on the 21st January. For New York:—100 cases essential oil, 10 cases vermilion, 3 bales feathers, 718 rolls matting, 625 packages crackers and 5 cases sundries.

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NOTICE OF FIRMS

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

DURING my absence and until further notice Mr. MOWBRAY STAFFORD NORTHCOTE has been appointed ACTING SECRETARY.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 27th January, 1897. [289

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. M. D. EZEKIEL in our firm in HONGKONG and SHANGHAI CEASED on the 31st December, 1896.

E. D. SASSOON & CO.

Hongkong, 29th January, 1897. [307

THE DEVONIAN SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL MEETING and DINNER of the above Society will be held at the HONGKONG CLUB on WEDNESDAY, the 10th February.

Members of the Society desirous of attending the Dinner are requested to notify the undersigned on or before SATURDAY, the 6th February.

R. K. LEIGH,
Hon. Sec.

Hongkong, 21st January, 1897. [240

ZETLAND LODGE,
No. 525 E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of ZETLAND LODGE will be held at the FREEMASONS' HALL, on MONDAY, the 1st February, at 8.30 for 9.00 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 26th January, 1897. [274

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Hongkong, 26th January, 1897. [276

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Hongkong 12th December, 1896. [2485

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Hongkong, 9th October, 1895. [2826

INTIMATIONS

CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAY.

THE Undermentioned BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on TUESDAY, the 2nd February:—

For the CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA,
T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager, Hongkong.

For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

For the NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR,
Chief Manager.

For the MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED,
J. W. R. TAYLOR,
Manager, Hongkong.

For the BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE,
Hongkong Agency,
M. LACAZE,
Acting Manager.

For the BANK OF CHINA & JAPAN, LIMITED, HONGKONG,
CHANTREY INCHBALD,
Manager.

For the YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED,
NAO. NABEK'RA,
Agent.

Hongkong, 26th January, 1897. [280

CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAY.

THE Undermentioned Insurance Offices will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on TUESDAY, the 2nd February:—

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Agents,
CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LD,
General Managers,
HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LD.

N. J. EDE,
Secretary,
UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LD.

L. KENNARD DAVIS,
Acting Agent,
NORTH CHINA INSURANCE CO., LD.

W. H. RAY,
Secretary,
CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE CO., LD.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
Agents,
YANGTSZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION, LD.

GEORGE L. TOMLIN,
Acting Secretary,
CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., LD.

WM. MACBEAN,
Manager,
THE STRAITS INSURANCE CO., LD.

Hongkong, 27th January, 1897. [288

CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.
No. 73

THE CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS will be observed at this Office and the Kowloon Customs Stations from the 28th of the 12th Moon to the 3rd day of the 1st Moon (30th January to 4th February, both days inclusive), and during that period all Shipment, Discharge, and Examination of Cargo will be suspended.

H. M. HILLIER,
Commissioner of Customs for Kowloon and District.

Customs House,
Kowloon, 25th January, 1897. [275

CHINESE NEW YEAR.

THE Office of the CHUNG NGOI SAN PO (CHINESE DAILY PRESS) will be closed from 28th instant to 2nd proximo, inclusive.

CHIU YU-TSUN,
Manager.

Hongkong, 27th January, 1897. [292

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SOME SPECIAL NEW BOOKS.
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How to Train a Racehorse, by Warburton	2.50
Household Dictionary of Medicine, by Walter	5.00
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A New Star Atlas, by R. A. Proctor	3.00

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE SIXTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Company, Pedder's Street, at NOON on SATURDAY, 6th February, to receive a statement of the Company's Accounts to the 31st December, 1896, and the Report of the General Managers.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 27th inst. to the 6th proximo, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 22nd January, 1897. [251

THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the EIGHTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Company's Office, Victoria Buildings, on TUESDAY, the 9th February, 1897, at 12 o'clock (Noon), for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts for the Twelve Months ending the 31st December, 1896.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, the 29th January, to Tuesday, the 9th February, 1897 (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary to the
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited,
Agents for the
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited.

Hongkong, 18th January, 1897. [223

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this CORPORATION will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 13th day of February next, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors, together with a Statement of Account to 31st December, 1896.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 28th January, 1897. [298

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the REGISTER of SHARES of the CORPORATION will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 30th January current, to SATURDAY, the 13th day of February next (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 28th January, 1897. [299

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TWENTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the COMPANY will be held at the Company's Offices, No. 3, QUEEN'S ROAD, CENTRAL, Victoria, on MONDAY, the 15th February, at Twelve o'clock (NOON), for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1896.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st to the 15th idem, both days inclusive.

By Order,
GEO. L. TOMLIN,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 25th January, 1897. [267

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Offices of the Company, No. 14, Praya Central, on MONDAY, the 22nd February, 1897, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1896.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th to the 22nd February, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
THOS. I. ROSE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 29th January, 1897. [305

THE NEW BALMORAL GOLD MINING CO., LIMITED AND REDUCED.

NOTICE is hereby given that in accordance with the Resolutions passed at the Extraordinary General Meetings of Shareholders of the above Company held on the 14th and 30th of December, 1896, 50,000 of the new Issue of PREFERENCE SHARES of $1.00 each will be offered to the Shareholders on the Register in proportion to their holdings. The REGISTER will be CLOSED from the 1st to the 8th day of February, 1897, both days inclusive.

All Preference Shares must be applied and paid for on or before the 15th day of February, 1897.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 14th January, 1897. [188

NOTICE.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE CERTIFICATE No. 4,316, dated 6th April, 1895, for Eight Shares, Nos. 8,018/8,019 and 12,704/12,709, in this Company, standing in the name of THE RIGHT REVEREND DOM ANTONIO JOAQUIM DE MEDEIROS, BISHOP OF MACAO, as "PRESIDENTE DA COMMISSAO ADMINISTRATIVA DE COFRE DOS POBRES," has been LOST, and if at the Expiration of ONE MONTH from the date hereof the above document be not forthcoming another Certificate will be issued by the Company, and thereafter no other will be acknowledged.

GEO. L. TOMLIN,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 26th January, 1897. [281

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE SCRIP No. 4,021 for 125 Shares in this Company numbered 97,171 to 97,295 standing in the Register in the name of Mr. ELLIS KELLY having been LOST, notice is hereby given that a Duplicate Scrip for the said 125 Shares will be issued Fourteen days hence, and that the original Scrip, unless produced within that period, will hereafter be held by the Company as null and void.

T. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 27th January, 1897. [287

BELL'S ASBESTOS EASTERN AGENCY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the BRANCH REGISTER of the above Company hitherto kept in Hongkong WILL BE REMOVED to SINGAPORE on the 31st instant.

By Order of the Board of Directors in London,
C. D. BROOKE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 28th January, 1897. [279

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

HONGKONG AGENCY.

ON and after the 20th JANUARY, 1897, this AGENCY will REMOVE TO and TRANSACT BUSINESS at its Temporary Office, No. 5, DES VOEUX ROAD (New Reclamation Ground and Praya Central).

NAO NABEKRA,
Agent.

Hongkong, 25th January, 1897. [265

INSURANCES.

SUN INSURANCE OFFICE, LONDON

FOUNDED 1710.

The Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

SIEMSSEN & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 16th May, 1892 [18

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

The Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are PREPARED TO ACCEPT First Class Foreign and Chinese Risks at Current Rates.

SIEMSSEN & CO.

Hongkong, 29th May, 1895. [19

TRANSATLANTIC FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

The Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

SIEMSSEN & CO.,
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Hongkong, 10th November, 1872 [17

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Hongkong, 18th June, 1896. [1432

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Hongkong, 23rd July, 1896. [1526

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Hongkong, 9th January, 1896. [2727

ASIATIC FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS of the above COMPANY, are prepared to accept RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

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Hongkong, 1st December, 1896. [62

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Hongkong, 20th January, 1897. [231

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Bank Bills, on demand 2/1½
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 2/1½
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 2/1⅝
Credits, at 4 months' sight 2/1¾
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight 2/1¾

ON PARIS.—
Bank Bills, on demand 2.67
Credits, at 4 months' sight 2.71

ON GERMANY.—
On demand 2.16

ON NEW YORK.—
Bank Bills, on demand 51½
Credits, 60 days' sight 53

ON BOMBAY.—
Telegraphic Transfer 166
Bank, on demand 166½

ON CALCUTTA.—
Telegraphic Transfer 166
Bank, on demand 166½

ON SHANGHAI.—
Bank, at sight 72¼
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On demand ....½% pm.

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Foun. Shares	£1	$100, sellers
Bell's Asbestos E. A.	17/6	$8, buyers
Brown & Co., H. G.	$50	(in liquidation)
Campbell, Moore & Co.	$10	$6, buyers
Carmichael & Co.	$20	$8
China Sugar	$100	$139, sellers
Dakin, Cruicks'k & Co.	$5	(in liquidation)
Dairy Farm Co.	$5	$5, nominal
Fenwick & Co., Geo.	$25	$32
Green Island Cement	$10	$20, buyers
H. & C. Bakery	$50	$30
Hongkong & C. Gas	£10	$110, buyers
Hongkong Electric	$8	$7, buyers
H. H. L. Tramways	$100	$94, buyers
Hongkong Hotel	$50	$35, buyers
Hongkong Ice	$25	$113, buyers
H. & K. Wharf & G.	$50	$59, buyers
Hongkong Rope	$50	$155
H. & W. Dock	$125	227 p. ct. prem.,=[$408.75, sales & b.
Insurances—		
Canton	$50	$177½, buyers
China Fire	$20	$106, buyers
China Traders'	$25	$77
Hongkong Fire	$50	$373, sales
North-China	£25	Tls. 195
Straits	$20	$28, buyers
Union	$50	$237½
Yangtsze	$60	$160
Land and Building—		
H. Land Investment	$50	$77½
Humphreys Estate	$10	$9½, sales
Kowloon Land & B.	$30	$15½, buyers
West Point Building	$40	$19, sales
Luzon Sugar	$100	$54, sellers
Mining—		
Charbonnages	Fcs. 500	$75, sellers
Jelebu	$5	$2.25, buyers
New Balmoral	$3	$1.30, sellers
Oliver's Mines, A.	$5	$5
Do. B.	$2½	$2½
Punjom	$4	$16, sales
Do. (Preference)	$1	$3.10, sellers
Raubs	18s. 10d.	$11½, sales
Steamship Coys.—		
China and Manila	$50	$67, buyers
China Mutual Ord	£5	£2. 5s.
Do Pref.	£10	£7, buyers
Douglas S. S. Co.	$50	$61½, sellers
H., Canton and M.	$15	$35.25
Indo-China S. N.	£10	$43, sales & buyers
Wanchai Wareh'se Co.	$37½	$43½
Watson & Co., A. S.	$10	$12½, sales

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Malwa (this year's)	$760	1½ to 2½ catties
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Malwa (older)	$780	2 to 2 "
New Patna ....$580; Old Patna		$630
New Benares ....$570; Old Benares		$710
Persian, Oily		$490 to $505
Persian, Paper-wrapped		$480 to $560

THE WEATHER.

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER, 28th JANUARY, AT 4 P.M.

STATION.	Barometer red. to sea level and 32o Fahr.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind. Direction.	Wind. Force.	Weather.	Rain last 24 hours.
Wladivostock	30.01	24	—	N	1	b	...
Tokyo	29.86	—	—	NW	2	—	...
Kochi	29.91	—	—	SE	2	—	...
Nagasaki	29.99	—	—	N	2	—	...
Kagoshima	29.95	—	—	—	0	—	...
Shanghai	30.03	45	92	NE	3	—	...
Sharp Peak	29.97	54	94	NNE	4	orf	...
Amoy	29.91	60	94	SW	3	od	...
Swatow	29.83	65	—	E	1	c	...
Canton	29.78	75	90	SE	2	o	...
Hongkong	29.85	73	83	S	3	o	...
Victoria Peak	—	—	—	SW	7	—	...
Gap Rock	29.85	—	—	SSE	2	—	...
Macao	—	—	—	—	—	—	...
Haiphong	29.79	79	74	E	1	c	...
Bolinao	29.86	82	71	NW	2	b	...
Manila	29.88	88	54	ESE	3	b	...
Cape S. James	—	—	—	—	—	—	...
29th JANUARY, AT 10 A.M.							
Wladivostock	30.32	1	77	N	1	b	...
Tokyo	30.02	—	—	NW	4	—	...
Kochi	30.11	—	—	—	0	—	...
Nagasaki	30.19	—	—	N	2	—	...
Kagoshima	30.11	—	—	—	0	—	...
Shanghai	30.17	39	91	ENE	3	o	...
Sharp Peak	30.06	54	94	NE	3	orf	...
Amoy	30.01	69	94	E	1	od	...
Swatow	—	—	—	—	—	—	...
Canton	29.88	68	100	SE	1	o	...
Hongkong	29.94	75	79	SW	3	c	...
Victoria Peak	—	—	—	S	7	—	...
Gap Rock	29.95	—	—	SE	2	—	...
Macao	—	—	—	—	—	—	...
Haiphong	29.84	69	97	—	0	o	...
Bolinao	29.97	79	74	SE	2	b	...
Manila	—	—	—	—	—	—	...
Cape S. James	—	—	—	NE	3	b	...

On the 29th at 11.30 a.m. Pressure has continued to increase in the North but remains low in an area embracing the S. coast of China and the Gulf of Tonkin. Forecast:—S. to SE. winds; probably freshening; unsettled, some rain.

HONGKONG REGISTER

	Previous day 4 p.m.	On date at 10 a.m.	On date at 4 p.m.
Barometer	29.85	29.94	29.84
Temperature	73	75	75
Humidity	83	79	80
Direction of wind	S	SW.	S
Force	3	3	2
Weather	o	c	o
Rain	—	0.02	—

Highest open air temperature on the 29th 75
Lowest open air temperature on the 29th 62

1—BAROMETER reduced to 32 degrees Fahr. at sealevel.
2—TEMPERATURE in the shade in degrees Fahrenheit.
3—HUMIDITY in percentage of saturation, the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.
4—DIRECTION OF THE WIND to two points.
5—FORCE OF THE WIND according to Beaufort Scale.
6—STATE OF THE WEATHER: b. blue sky; c. detached clouds; d. drizzling rain; f. fog; g. gloomy; h. hail; l. lightning; o. overcast; p. passing showers; q. squally; r. rain; s. snow; t. thunder; v. visibility; w. dew (wet).

F. G. FIGG, First Assistant.

Hongkong Observatory, 29th January, 1897.

MESSRS. FALCONER & CO.'S REGISTER, 29th Jan.

Barometer 9 A.M....29.83 Therm. 9 A.M. (Wet bulb) 69
Barometer 1 P.M....29.83 Therm. 1 P.M. (Wet bulb) 70
Barometer 4 P.M....29.80 Therm. 4 P.M. (Wet bulb) 71
Thermom. 9 A.M....72 Therm. Maximum 73
Thermom. 1 P.M....73 Therm. Minimum (overnight) 69
Thermom. 4 P.M....73

HONGKONG TIDE-TABLE.

30th January to 5th February.

Day of Week.	Day of Month.	HIGH WATER. Hongkong Mean Time.	HIGH WATER. Height.	LOW WATER. Hongkong Mean Time.	LOW WATER. Height.
		h m	ft. in.	h m	ft. in.
Sat.	30	m 9 12	1 11	m 1 49	—1 6
		4 50 a	5 5	m 11 43	—2 0
Sun.	31	m 9 45	2 0	m 2 31	—1 10
		7 41 a	5 7	0 46 a	1 7
Mon.	1	m 10 15	2 1	m 3 10	—1 9
		8 29 a	5 6	1 42 a	1 4
Tues.	2	m 10 43	2 2	m 3 43	—1 8
		9 15 a	5 5	2 36 a	1 1
Wed.	3	m 11 9	2 5	m 4 24	—1 5
		9 59 a	5 1	3 27 a	0 10
Thurs	4	m 11 33	2 7	m 4 59	—1 1
		10 40 a	4 8	4 15 a	0 2
Fri.	5	m 11 58	2 0	m 5 30	—0 10
		11 16 a	4 1	5 1 a	0 3

The height of mean sea-level has been determined, from the tidal observations of 1887 and 1888, as 5.87 feet above zero of the tide-gauge at the Kowloon Tidal Observatory; and the Lower-water Ordinary Spring-Tides, to which datum the heights in these Tables are referred, as 3.87 feet above zero.

The heights in the Tables marked with a minus sign (—) are below Lower-water Ordinary Spring-Tides, and should be subtracted from the constant given above.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE FRENCH MAIL.

The M. M. steamer *Oceanien*, with the French mail of the 1st January, left Saigon on Thursday, the 28th instant, at 11 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Sunday, the 31st instant. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on 25th November.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The O. & O. steamer *Coptic*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki, and Shanghai, on the 15th instant.

The P. M. steamer *Peru*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki, and Shanghai, on the 7th instant.

The P. M. steamer *City of Rio de Janeiro*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, on the 23rd instant.

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The E. & A. steamer *Airlie*, from Sydney &c., left Port Darwin on the 22nd instant for Timor and Hongkong.

The N. Y. K. steamer *Tokio Maru* left Thursday Island for this port on the 26th instant, and may be expected here on the 9th proximo.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The Ben Line steamer *Benmohr*, from New York, left Singapore on the 26th instant for this port.

The steamer *Glenartney*, from London and Straits, left Singapore for this port on the 24th instant.

The steamer *Mdeduff*, from Tacoma, has arrived at Yokohama.

The steamer *Monmouthshire* left Victoria, B.C., for Yokohama and China via Honolulu on the 30th ult.

The N. P. steamer *Braemar* has arrived at Yokohama and will leave thereon the 31st inst. for Hongkong via ports of call.

The C. M. steamer *Pingsuey*, from Glasgow and Liverpool, passed the Canal on the 8th instant.

The N. D. L. str. *Prinz Heinrich* left Shanghai on the 29th inst., at 10 a.m. and may be expected here on or about Sunday, the 31st instant.

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Nestor*, from Liverpool, left Singapore on the 24th instant, and may be expected here on or about the 30th instant.

The D. D. R. steamer *Kriemhild*, from Hamburg, left Singapore on the 25th instant, and may be expected here on or about 31st instant.

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Patroclus*, from Liverpool, left Singapore on the afternoon of the 27th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 3rd prox.

The C. M. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Ningchow*, from Liverpool and Newport, passed the Canal on the 19th instant, and may be considered due at Singapore on or about the 6th proximo.

The C. M. steamer *Oolong*, from Glasgow and Liverpool, passed the Canal on the 26th inst., and may be considered due at Singapore on or about the 13th proximo.

PASSED THE CANAL.

OUTWARD—5th Jan.—*Antenor, Maria Rickmers, Obi, Sikh*. 8th January—*Benvenue Java, Templar*. 15th January—*Broconshire, Teenkai*. 19th January—*Dardanus, Irene*. 22nd January—*Ixion, Palawan, Preussen, Aga, Candia*. 26th January—*Agamemnon, Melbourne, Oolong, Deike Rickmers, Normandie*.

HOMEWARD—19th January—*Thekla*. 22nd January—*Gisela*. 26th January—*Benledi Radnorshire*.

POST-OFFICE NOTICES.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE.

PEAK DELIVERY closes at Post Office at 11.30 a.m. and 3 p.m. or in Letter Boxes in the Cars by 12 and 3.30 o'clock Trams. Letter Boxes at Peak will be cleared at 12.30 and 4 p.m.

For Bangkok.—Per *Keong Wai*, to-day, the 30th instant, at 9.30 A.M.

For Singapore and Bombay.—Per *Brindisi*, to-day, the 30th instant, at 11.30 A.M.

For Haiphong.—Per *Hanoi*, to-day, the 30th inst., at 11.30 A.M.

For Shanghai.—Per *Leongmoon*, to-day, the 30th instant, at 3.30 P.M.

For Swatow, Amoy and Foochow.—Per *Namoa*, to-day, the 30th instant, at 5.00 P.M.

For Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne.—Per *Changsha*, on Monday, the 1st February, at 3.30 P.M.

For Singapore, Penang and Bombay.—Per *Bisagno*, on Monday, the 1st Feb., at 4.30 P.M.

For Singapore.—Per *Setna*, on Saturday, the 6th Feb., at 4.30 P.M.

For Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, B.C., and Tacoma.—Per *Braemar*, on Tuesday, the 9th Feb., at 11.30 A.M.

For Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama.—Per *Ancona*, on Friday, the 12th Feb., at 11.30 A.M.

MAILS BY THE GERMAN PACKET.

The German Contract Packet *Prinz Heinrich* will be despatched on MONDAY, the 1st February with Mails for the United Kingdom Europe and countries beyond, *via Brindisi*, to the Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Malta, &c., &c.

Registry ceases at 4.00 P.M.

The mail closes at 5.00 P.M.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.

The French Contract Packet *Sydney* will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 3rd February, with Mails to the United Kingdom, Europe, and places beyond, *via Marseilles*, to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, Madras, the Australasian Colonies, Pondichery, Madras, Calcutta, Aden, Mauritius, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

8.00 A.M.—Posting of Prices Current and Circulars ceases.
10.00 A.M.—Registry ceases.
10.30 A.M.—Posting of newspapers, books, and patterns ceases.
11.00 A.M.—Mail closes.

may be posted on board the Packet with the Late Fee of 10 cents extra postage until the time of departure.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

The United States Mail Packet *Belgic* will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 4th Feb., with mails for Shanghai, Japan, San Francisco, the United States, Canada, Honolulu, Peru, &c., which will be closed as follows:—

10 A.M. Registry ceases.
11 A.M. Post Office closes, but Correspondence may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 10 cents extra Postage until the time of departure.

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Hongkong, 20th February, 1896. [46

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Hongkong, 20th February, 1896. [47

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Hongkong, 6th March, 1896. [2858

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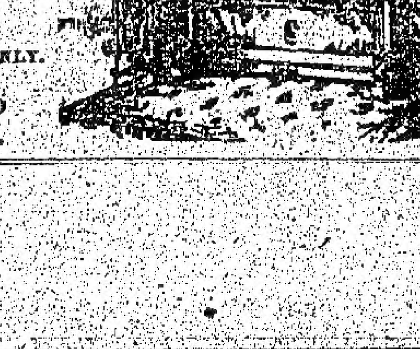

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"RAVENNA,"
FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo:—
From London, ex s.s. *China*.
From Persian Gulf, exs.s. *Simla*, *Howshera*, *Naseri*, and *Khandala*.

Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 1 P.M. TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 29th inst., at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the vessel's arrival here, after which no claims will be recognised.

H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 23rd January, 1897. [1

VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Steamship

"LOONGMOON,"
Captain F. Schulz, will be despatched for the above port TO-DAY, the 30th instant, at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSSEN & CO.
Hongkong, 27th January, 1897. [203

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY, AND MELBOURNE.

THE Company's Steamship

"CHANGSHA,"
Captain Williams, will be despatched on MONDAY, the 1st February, at 4 P.M.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. First Class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire voyage.

A duly qualified Surgeon is carried and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 22nd January, 1897. [259

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"MYRMIDON,"
Captain Gardner, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 3rd February.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 28th January, 1897. [2924

FOR SINGAPORE, MARSEILLES, HAVRE, AND HAMBURG.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to Antwerp, Amsterdam, Rotterdam, Lisbon, Oporto, London, Liverpool, and Bremen.)

THE Steamship

"SENTA,"
Captain Voss, will be despatched for the above ports on SATURDAY, the 6th February, at 5 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSSEN & CO.
Agents.
Hongkong, 26th January, 1897. [286

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY, AND MELBOURNE.

THE Company's Steamship

"CHINGTU,"
Captain Innes, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 13th February, at 3 P.M.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. First Class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire voyage.

A duly qualified Surgeon is carried and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 28th January, 1897. [303

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"TANTALUS,"
Captain Hannah, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 13th February.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 28th January, 1897. [132

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

JAPAN-AUSTRALIA LINE.

MONTHLY SERVICE.
(UNDER MAIL CONTRACT).

FOR THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY, AND MELBOURNE.

THE Company's Steamship

"OMI MARU,"
Captain C. Young, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 16th February, at 4 P.M.

This steamer is fitted with Superior Passenger Accommodation and is lighted by Electricity throughout. A duly qualified Doctor is carried.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
Hongkong, 27th January, 1897. [297

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

JAPAN-BOMBAY LINE.

MONTHLY SERVICE.
(UNDER MAIL CONTRACT.)

FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, AND BOMBAY
(Calling at TUTICORIN on the home ward voyage).

THE Company's Steamship

"MIIKE MARU,"
Captain P. H. Going, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 17th February, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
Hongkong, 27th January, 1897. [296

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

S.S. "PORT ADELAIDE," to sail about 12th February, 1897.
S.S. "ENERGIA," to sail about 22nd February, 1897.
S.S. "STRATHLEVEN," to sail about 7th March, 1897.
S.S. "MACDUFF," to sail about 22nd March, 1897.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 30th January, 1896. [2598-2802

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE 100 A.1. Iron 4-mast British Bark

"MATTERHORN,"
Captain J. Williams, will soon be ready to load for the above port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 28th November, 1896. [55

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID,
NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN, AND HAMBURG.
PORTS IN THE LEVANTE, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS;
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LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

PRINZ HEINRICH	Tuesday	2nd Feb.
PREUSSEN	Tuesday	2nd March.
SACHSEN	Tuesday	30th Mar.
BAYERN	Tuesday	27th April.
PRINZ HEINRICH	Tuesday	25th May.

ON TUESDAY, the 2nd day of February, 1897, at 9 A.M., the Company's Steamship "PRINZ HEINRICH," Captain Cüppers, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, CALLING at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON on SATURDAY, the 30th January, Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M. on MONDAY, the 1st February, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON, on MONDAY, the 1st February. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed at less than $2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.

Linen can be washed on board.

For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 11th January, 1897. [7

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

JAPAN-EUROPE LINE.

MONTHLY SERVICE.

FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, PORT SAID, MARSEILLES, LONDON, AND ANTWERP.

THE Company's Chartered Steamship

"STRATHTAY"
Captain McKenzie, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 6th February, at 5 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
Hongkong, 14th January, 1897. [199

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR
STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH, AND LONDON.

THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship

"MIRZAPORE,"
Captain J. F. Jephson, carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, on THURSDAY, the 11th FEBRUARY, at NOON, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to
H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 29th January, 1897. [1

U.S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

PERU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)	SATURDAY, Feb. 13, 1897, at NOON.
CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO (v. Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)	TUESDAY, Mar. 2, 1897, at NOON.
CITY OF PEKING (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, and Yokohama)	TUESDAY, Mar. 23, 1897, at NOON.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship "PERU" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, and HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 13th FEBRUARY, 1897, at NOON, taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER AND RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have, between San Francisco and Chicago, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER AND RIO GRANDE and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.
Hongkong, 25th January, 1897. [3

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

DESTINATION.	VESSEL'S NAME.	FLAG & RIG.	CAPTAIN.	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED.
LONDON, &c.	Mirzapore	Brit. str.	Jephson	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 11th Feb., at Noon.
LONDON	Formosa	Brit. str.	Peters	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On or about 4th Feb.
LONDON	Canton	Brit. str.	Cubitt, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 6th Mar.
LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL	Myrmidon	Brit. str.	Gardner	Butterfield & Swire	On 3rd Feb.
LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL	Tantalus	Brit. str.	Hannah	Butterfield & Swire	On 13th February.
BREMEN VIA PORTS OF CALL	Prinz Heinrich	Ger. str.	Cüpper	Melchers & Co.	On 2nd Feb., at 9 A.M.
MARSEILLES VIA SAIGON &c.	Sydney	Fren. str.	Aubert	Messageries Maritimes	On 3rd Feb., at Noon.
VANCOUVER, V. SHANGHAI, &c.	Empress of India	Brit. str.	Marshall, R.N.R.	Canadian Pacific R. Co.	On 17th Feb., at Noon.
VICTORIA, B.C., &c., V. Y'HAMA.	Braemar	Brit. str.	Porter	Dodwell, Carlill & Co.	On 9th Feb., at Noon.
VICTORIA, B.C., &c., V. Y'HAMA.	Monmouthshire	Brit. str.		Shewan, Tomes & Co.	On 13th Feb.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI	Belgic	Brit. str.		O. & O. S. S. Co.	On 4th Feb., at Noon.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI	Peru	Amer. str.		P. M. S. S. Co.	On 13th Feb., at Noon.
SAN FRANCISCO	Matterhorn	Brit. str.	Williams	Melchers & Co.	Quick despatch.
SAN FRANCISCO	Sumbawa	Brit. bk.	Rohberg	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Quick despatch.
NEW YORK	Benjamin Sewall	Amer. sh.	Sewall	Carlowitz & Co.	February.
NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL	Port Adelaide	Brit. str.		Dodwell, Carlill & Co.	On or about 12th Feb.
SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, &c.	Changsha	Brit. str.	Williams	Butterfield & Swire	On 1st Feb., at 4 P.M.
SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, &c.	Omi Maru	Jap. str.	Young	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 16th Feb., at 4 P.M.
SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, &c.	Chingtu	Brit. ship	Innes	Butterfield & Swire	On 13th Feb., at 3 P.M.
S'PORE, MARSEILLES, HAVRE, &c.	Sento	Ger. str.	Voss	Siemssen & Co.	On 6th Feb., at 5 P.M.
S'PORE, COLOMBO, PORT SAID, &c.	Strathtay	Brit. str.	McKenzie	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 6th Feb., at 5 P.M.
S'PORE, COLOMBO, & BOMBAY	Miike Maru	Jap. str.	Going	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 17th Feb., at Noon.
SINGAPORE & BOMBAY	Brindisi	Brit. str.	Wickenden	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-day, at Noon.
STRAITS & BOMBAY	Bisagno	Ita. str.	Mancini	Carlowitz & Co.	On 1st Feb., at 5 P.M.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	Arratoon Apcar	Brit. str.	Sundberg	D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.	On 2nd Feb., Daylight.
Y'HAMA VIA NAGASAKI & KOBE	Ancona	Brit. str.	Mudie	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 12th Feb., at Noon.
Y'HAMA V. S'HAI, N'SAKI, & KOBE	Java	Brit. str.	Chellow, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 6th Feb.
SHANGHAI	Loongmoon	Ger. str.	Schulz	Siemssen & Co.	To-day, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	Rohilla	Brit. str.	Cole	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 7th Feb.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	Namoa	Brit. str.	Hall	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	To-morrow, at Daylight.

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Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse-Power—Speed 19 knots

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

EMPRESS OF INDIA...Comdr. O. P. Marshall, R.N.R. ...WEDNESDAY, 17th Feb., 1897
EMPRESS OF JAPAN...Comdr. H. Pybus, R.N.R. ...WEDNESDAY, 17th Mar., 1897
EMPRESS OF CHINA...Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R. ...WEDNESDAY, 7th April, 1897

THE magnificent Steamships of the Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, making close connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various points at reduced rates. Good for 4, 6, 9, and 12 months.

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For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to
D. E. BROWN, General Agent,
Pedder Street.
Hongkong, 21st January, 1896. [8

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL ON	REMARKS.
S'PORE & BOMBAY	BRINDISI / T. Wickenden	Noon, 30th Jan.	Freight or Passage. (Calling at COLOMBO if sufficient offers.
LONDON	FORMOSA / R. A. Peters	About 4th Feb.	Freight or Passage.
YOKOHAMA, VIA S'HAI NAGASAKI & KOBE	JAVA / J. Chellow, R.N.R.	About 6th Feb.	Freight or Passage. (Passing through the INLAND SEA.)
SHANGHAI	ROHILLA / F. Cole	About 7th Feb.	Freight or Passage.
LONDON, &c.	MIRZAPORE / J. F. Jephson	Noon, 11th Feb.	Freight or Passage.
YOKOHAMA VIA N'SAKI & KOBE	ANCONA / H. D. Mudie	Noon, 12th Feb.	Freight or Passage. (Passing through the INLAND SEA.)
LONDON	CANTON / A. G. Cubitt, R.N.R.	About 6th Mar.	Freight or Passage.

For Further Particulars, apply to
H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.
Hongkong, 30th January, 1897. [1

VESSELS ON THE BERTH
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TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE, VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS AND ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

BELGIC (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)	THURSDAY, Feb. 4, 1897, at NOON.
COPTIC (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, and Yokohama)	TUESDAY, Feb. 23, 1897, at NOON.
GAELIC (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)	SATURDAY, Mar. 13, 1897, at NOON.

THE Company's Steamship "BELGIC" will be dispatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *via* SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, and HONOLULU, on THURSDAY, the 4th FEBRUARY, 1897, at NOON.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN and call at HONOLULU and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through Passenger Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates and particulars of the various Routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or *vice versa*) within one year, will be allowed discount of 10 per cent. *This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.*

ALL PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.
Hongkong, 18th January, 1897. [4

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE British Bark

"SUMBAWA,"
Rohberg, Master, will load here for the above port and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
Hongkong, 7th December, 1896. [57

VESSELS ON THE BERTH
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
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NOTICE.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS,
LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX, PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 3rd February at NOON, the Company's Steamship "SYDNEY," Captain Aubert, with Mails, Passengers, Specie, and Cargo, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES via BOMBAY.

This steamer connects at COLOMBO with the S.S. "POLYNESIEN," which vessel takes on her Passengers and Mails leaving that port on the 11th February direct to Suez, Port Said, and Marseilles.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon. Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M. Specie and Parcels until 3 P.M. on the 2nd Feb. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.) Contents and Value of Packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, 21st January, 1897. [2

OREGON RAILWAY AND NAVIGATION COMPANY'S PACIFIC STEAMSHIP LINE.

CHINA AND JAPAN.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1897.
(Subject to Alteration.)

MONMOUTHSHIRE	Saturday	13th Feb.

TAKING PASSENGERS AND CARGO FOR UNITED STATES AND CANADA AT THROUGH RATES.

THE Steamship

"MONMOUTHSHIRE"
will be despatched hence for VICTORIA, B.C., and PORTLAND, OREGON, via KOBE and YOKOHAMA, on SATURDAY, the 13th February.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Points should be in QUADRUPLICATE, and one Copy must be sent forward by the Steamer to the care of the GENERAL FREIGHT AGENT, Oregon Railway and Navigation Co., Portland, Oregon.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 22nd January, 1897. [248

STEAM TO NATAL AND CAPE PORTS
BY
THE NATAL DIRECT LINE
FROM CALCUTTA
(MESSRS. BULLARD, KING & CO.'S LINE.)

THE Undersigned having been appointed GENERAL AGENTS in CHINA and JAPAN for the above Line are prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS OF LADING for NATAL, EAST LONDON, PORT ELIZABETH, MOSSEL BAY, CAPE TOWN, DELAGOA BAY, and BEIRA. Transhipment will be made at CALCUTTA.

Next sailing from CALCUTTA, S.S. UMLAZI, 22nd December, and thereafter every three weeks.

For Freight and for other Particulars,
Apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & CO.,
General Agents for China and Japan.
Hongkong, 16th October, 1896. [10

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Rates of Passage to other Points on application.
Special rates allowed to members of Government Services.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
(*Subject to Alteration.*)

BRAEMAR	3,601	Tuesday	Feb. 9.
TACOMA	2,549	Tuesday	Mar. 2.
VICTORIA	3,167	Tuesday	Mar. 23.
OLYMPIA	2,608	Tuesday	Apr. 13.
BRAEMAR	3,601	Tuesday	May. 4.

THE Steamship

"BRAEMAR,"
Captain Porter, sailing at NOON, on TUESDAY, the 9th February, will proceed to VICTORIA, B.C., and TACOMA, Wash., via KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan, Pacific Coast Points, and to Canadian and United States Points.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Points should be in quadruplicate, and *one copy must be sent forward by the steamer* to the care of the Freight Agent, Northern Pacific Railroad, Tacoma, Wash.

Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 P.M. on the day previous to sailing.

For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & CO.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 19th January, 1897. [9

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 A.I.I. American Ship

"BENJAMIN SEWALL,"
Sewall, Master, shortly expected from Shanghai, will load here and will be despatched by end of February.

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Hongkong, 6th January, 1897. [11

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Hongkong, 25th January, 1892. [269

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Hongkong, 17th July, 1895. [42

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139, Wanchai Road.
Hongkong, 20th January, 1897. [2889

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"South Park, Cardiff, South Wales, Sept. 28, 1893.
"I have, indeed, great pleasure in adding my testimony to your excellent preparation of Cough Lozenges, and I have prescribed it now for the last eight years in my hospitals and private practice, and found it of great benefit. I often suffer from Chronic Bronchitis; your Lozenge is the only remedy which gives me immediate ease. Therefore I certainly and most strongly recommend your Lozenges to the public who may suffer from Catarrh, Bronchitis, Winter Cough, or any kind of Pulmonary Irritation.—Yours truly
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20.—Dock Company
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